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# WATER QUALITY M E M O R A N D U M

Utah Coal Regulatory Program

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TO: Internal File

THRU: Steve Christensen, Permit Supervisor *SKC*

FROM: April Abate, Environmental Scientist III *AAA 1-10-2012*

RE: 2011 Second Quarter Water Monitoring, Canyon Fuel Company, Banning Siding Loadout, C/007/0034, WQ11-2, Task ID #3830

The Banning Siding Loadout has been in temporary cessation since 2000. Pertinent water monitoring requirement information is in the MRP in Sections 731.210, and 731.220.

1. Was data submitted for all of the MRP required sites? YES ☒ NO ☐

## Springs

*The Permittee is not required to monitor any springs at the Banning Siding Loadout.*

## Streams

*The Permittee is not required to monitor any streams at the Banning Siding Loadout.*

## Wells

*During temporary cessation, the Permittee is required to sample the "Truck Dump Sump during the "late fall."*

The Truck Dump Sump was monitored this quarter on April 30, 2011. The sump was reported to be dry this quarter.

## UPDES

*There are two active UPDES sites at the Banning Siding Loadout. They are both under the permit #UTG040011, and are the primary and emergency spillways for the sedimentation pond. The Permittee is required to monitor each UPDES site monthly.*

The Permittee monitored and reported the essential data for all UPDES sites as required during this quarter. *None of the UPDES sites recorded any flow during the period.*

2. Were all required parameters reported for each site? YES ☐ NO ☐

Not applicable this quarter

3. Were any irregularities found in the data? YES ☐ NO ☐

Not applicable this quarter

4. On what date does the MRP require a five-year re-sampling of baseline water data.

The MRP does not contain a commitment for re-sampling of baseline water data.

5. Based on your review, what further actions, if any, do you recommend?

The Permittee is sampling the sump on a quarterly basis; however, according to the water monitoring protocol, the truck dump sump is only required to be sampled in the late fall. The Permittee may also want to consider petitioning for a UPDES permit change to monitor the sediment pond on a quarterly basis instead of monthly. Spring of 2011 had some of the highest historic precipitation levels on record for the state and there was still no discharge from the sediment pond.

According to a recent memo authored by Steve Christensen, (M:\FILES\COAL\PERMITS\007\C0070034\2011\INTERNAL) the disturbed area reporting to the sediment pond has been stabilized and revegetated and is awaiting approval for removal from the Division. There is no specific timetable set up for reclamation of the sediment pond in the MRP.